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THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

at Twelve o'clock (Noon), for the purpose Power largely increased.
of receiving a Statement of Accounts and
the Report of the Directors for the year

Agents for Honok

ending 31st Pecember, 1897.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be OLOSED from the 18th to the NOTICE TO AMERICAN CITIZANS. 28th Instant, both days inclusive. By Order,

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Hongkong, February 5, 1888.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. a n extraordinary meeting of

A SHARESOLDERS in the COMPANY will be held at the Company's OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Centres, Victoria, on MUNDAY, the 25th February, at 12.16 c'clock p.m., when the subjoined Resolu-tions will be proposed. RESOLUTIONS.

That Articl a Nos. 53 and 122 of the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by eliminating there rom the word 'February' and substituting therefor the

word March.

That Article No. 7 be a tered by inserting the words 'or Extr. Reserve Fund' IT HE DIVIDEND of 8% per SHARE immediately after the word 'Fond' in the L & BONUS of 4% per SHARE for sixth line of the said Article, and the words the Six Months ending Slat December.

word 'be' in the fourth line of such pany's Ofrice No. 14, Prays Cantral. That the following Articles be inserted

mmediately after Article No. 121 and be numbered Articles 121A and 121B. 121a - Although the Reserve Fund

may amount to the sum of One Million Dollars the Directors may nevertheless at their discretion cal'ed "Extra Reserve Fund.""

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General Manager. Hongkong, F. brusry 19, 1898. 361 MELDRUM FURNACES

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U. S. Consul. United Statps Consulate, Can an, Catas, 1st Feb., 1898, 188 HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHULDERS.

and Extra Reserve Fund ' in mediately 1807, declared at MONDAY's Ordinary of the said Article.

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> THOS. I. ROSE. Secretary. Hongkong, Fel rusry 21, 1898. THE HONGKONG ROPE. MANUFACT

TURING COMPANY, LIMITED. from time to time appropriate a THE Fourteenth Crdinary Annual portion, and exceeding ten per MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS.

cent. of the net income and profits earned by the Company in pany's Orrice No. 9, Praya Central, Vicany one year, to the formation of toria, on MONDAY, the 7th March, at an additional Reserve Fund, to be Twelve o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the 1218 .- The monies standing at the Report of the General Managers for the credit of the Extra Reserve Fund year ending 31st December, 1897, declaring may be applicable for the equalization of dividend and electing a Consulting Com-The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-

whenever the Directors shall pany will be CLOSED from the 21st, think fit, he appropriated towards to the 7th March, both days inclusive. BHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Manageres

Hongkong, February 21, 1898. 380 286 THE PUNJOM MINING COMPANY,

NOTICE TO SHARRHOLDERS.

THE Saib Ordinary General MERTING

of SHAREHOLDERS will to Held in the OFFICES of the Contrast, No. 8. on the Shakes in above Company becomes Prays Coutral, on SATURDAY, the Poth Dun on the Names and Day of March next, Bedruary, 1848, at 12 o'clock Noon, for and PAYMENT thereof must be made to the purpose of receiving the Report of the the Basers of the Company, old, the Directors and the Statement of Accounts.

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HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED,

NOT CE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

ITHE Twenty-Sloth Ordina y Annual MERTING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be Heid at the OFFICES of the Company, Peddir's Street, in MONDAY, the 28th day of February, 1898, at 12:30 of the Clock in the AFTER-MOON, to reserve a Statement of Accounts to the Sist December, 1897, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Anditore, The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be OLOSED from the 14th to the

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tions to sell by Public Austinu, on TUESDAY the lat day of March, 18 8, ar 3 o'clock p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street the following Lots :--

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Currency: All that PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND Situate near the GAP, VICTORIA PEAK, IN the I-land of Hongkong, and measuring on the North side thereof 30 feet or thereabouts, on the Scuth aide thereof 120 feet or thereabouts, on the East side thereof 275 feet or thereabouts, and on the West side thereof 246 feet or thereabouts, containing in the whole 19,400 Square feet or thereabouts, which said Piece or Parcel of Ground in Registered in the Land Officz as Rural Building Lot No. 17, and is held for a term of 75 years, commencing from the 28 h day of February, 1882, at the yearly Crown Rent

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Private Contract :--LOT II. All that PIECE or PARCEL GROUND Situate at VICTORIA PEAR, in the Island of Hongkong, and R gistered in the LAND OFFICE as Section D of Rural Building Lot No 9, together with the Messuage or Tenement thereon known as No. 6. STEWART TERRACE, VICTORIA PEAK, aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years, commencing from the 17th day of March, 1879, at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of

\$2.36 Hongkong Currency. LOT III. All that Portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND Situate at VICTORIA PEAK in the Island of Hongkong, and Registered in the LAND OFFICE as Section C of Rural Building Lot No. 9, together with the Messuage or Tenement thereon known As No. 7. STEWART TERRACE, Victoria Peak, aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years, commencing from the 17th day of March, 1879, at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of of \$3.86 Hongkong Currency.

All that portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at VICTORIA PEAK, in the Island of Hongkong, and Registered in the Land Office as Section C of Rural Building Lot No. 9, together with the Messuage or Tenoment thereon known as No. 8, STEWART TERRACE, Victoria Poak aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years. commencing from the 17th day of March, 1879, at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of \$3.34 Hongkong Currency.

All that portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of GROUND situate at VICTORIA PEAR, in the Island of Hongkong, and Registered in the LAND OFFICE as Section C of Rural Building Lot No. 9, together with the Messuage or Tenement thereon known as No. 9, STEWART TERRACE, Victoria Peak aforesaid, held for a term of 75 years, commencing from the 17th day of March, 1879. at the apportioned yearly Crown Rent of \$3.34 Hongkong Currency.

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Portland, Oregon, &c. Braemar (8)...... Dodwell, Carlill & Co. Mar. 15, at noon. Brancisco, v. Jane Caprio (a) O. & O. S. Sy O Mar. 12, at noon. Francisco v. Jana Peru (8) Pacific Mail S. S. Co. Mar. 8, at poon. Butterfield & Swire. Feb. 24, at 2 p.m. Shanghas Tuames (s) P. & Q. S. N. Co..... About Mar. 5. S'hai, Koba & Y'hama Lannox (a) Dodwell, Carlill & Co. Feb. 24, daylight S'hai, Kohé & Y'bama Pathan (s)..... Dodwell, Carlill & Co. About Mar. 1. S'hai, N'ki, K'be&Y'm . Melbourne (s)... Messageries Maritimes About Feb. 27. S'pore, Col'bo & B'bay Maisuyama Maru (s) ... Nippon Yusen Kaisha: Feb. 23, at noon. S'pore, P'nang& B'bay Letimore-(a)...... Carlowitz & Co...... Feb. 25, at noon. Swatow, Amoy & T'aui Formess (8)..... Douglas Lapraik & Co. Feb 24, daylight Sydney & Melbourne, Omi Maru (s)...... Nippon Yusen Kaisha. Feb. 25, at 4 p.m. Tacom . (Wash.), &c... Olympia (s)...... Dodwell, Carlill & Co. Mar 8, at ncon. Tientsin...... Kweiyang (3)...... Butterfield & Swire. Feb. 25, at 4 p.m. Vancouver (B.C.), & Empress of Japan (s. Canadian Pine R. Ce., Mar. 16, at noon, To-day's Advertisements. | To-day's Advertisements

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Hoa. Secretary.

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Foothow, British steemer, 1,253, . Blackburne, Chinking Feb. 17, General .-BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Genista, British ship, 1718. Hearne, New York Sept. 24 Case-Oil. -STANDARD OIL Co. -

F bruary 22. Formosa, British steamer, 674, A. E. Hedgins Tanhaui heb. 17, Amoy 19, and Swatow 21, General.—Douglas STEAMSHIP Turbo, British str., 2,505, J. A. Moses,

Singapore Feb. 15. Kerosine Oil,-ARN. HOLD, KARBERG & Co. Chelydra, British stoomer, 1,574, R. Cass, Colcutts Feb. 0, Penang 12, and Singapore 16, General. - JARDINE, MATHE-SON & Co. Urd, Norwegian str., 1,988, P. Hansen,

New York and Singspore Feb. 15, General. -SHEWAN, TOMES & Co. Omi Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,533, C. Young, Japan Feb. 18, General.-Nippon YUSEN KAISHA. Lennon, British steamer, 2,361, Williamson, Liverpool and Singapore February 16, General. - DODWELL, CARLILL & Co. Rossia, Russian cruiser, 12,200, Capt. Domojiroff, I R.N., Singapore Feb. 17. Admiral o Nakimoff. Russian oruiser,

8,000, Nebegatoff, Negasaki Feb. 17. DEPARTURES. February 22. Belgic, for Amoy and San Francisco. Victoria, f-r Am y and Tacoma,

Clara, for Holhow. Hailoona, for Swatow. Tritos, for Saigon. Phra Chom Klao, for Swatow. Foschow, for Capton. Diomed, for Singapore and London. Rickmer Richmers, for Bassoin. Alacrity, British des, vessel, for Chusan, Shantung, for Tjilatjup. Hain Chi, for Shanghai.

Kweinang, for Canton. Tokio Maru, for Nagasaki. Tsinan, for Kobe. INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Tulenkun for Ponape.

Riv, for Yokohama. Matsuyama Maru, for Singapore and Bom-Hermes, for Kobe. Decima, for Snigon,

PASSENGERS.

Per Formosa, from Tameni, &c., Mr Touzalin, Dr Muller, Mesers Blom, Mo-Cargo impeding the discharge or remain. Allister, Capt. Raymond, and 71 Chinese. Per Chelydra, from Calcutta, &c., Mesers Per Urd, from New York, &c., Mr and Mrs K-rr and daughter, Per Omi Marye, from Japan, Mrs Gords and 2 obildren, Miss Dinwootie, Mr G. Orighton, 10 Steerage, and 1 Oblaces, Per Lennon, from Bluggmore, vol Chi-

Takagi. 36

H. Furness, Geo. Storing, Lam Shin Check, Lam Tung Sam, N. G. Evans, R. E. Tueg, Crnickshank, Wong Pak Yuen, Wong Sook Soo, Lai Kwai Poi, Quai Lam Ping, Mra Chang-She, Messra Sam Pak Ham, Lai Kwai Pay, Ching Chung Wai; Mr and Mrs Sampson, child and amah, Mesers You Wie Yam, J. J. Clarke, N. K. Anderson, Major Conolly, Mrs and Miss Blane, and 4 Chinese; for Nagasaki, 2 Chinese; for Kobe, Mr and Mrs Eckley, Mr Estabboy, child and servent, Miss McDougall, Miss Dow. Mr McDougall, and 2 Japaness; for San Francisco, Mr R. Post, Mrs Naphtaly and child, and Mr W. Yates; for London, Mr T. D. Steinson, Rev. Swynnerton, and Mr J. J. G. Beake; for Hamburg, Mr M. Fleicher.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Formosa reports: Tamsui to Amoy, fresh mousoon and rain. Amoy to Swatow, fresh monsoon and rain. Swatow to Hongkong, fresh N'ly wind and

The British steamer Chelydra reports : Loft Sandheads Feb. 6th, light N.N.E. winds to Penang; arrived 11th, and loft in Large and Small Boxes of Pretty Designs | 12th; arrived at Singapore 14th, and left 16th; light airs and calms to lat, 11 N.; from there to 180 miles S. of Hongkong, moderate S'ly winds, and smooth sea; thence to port, strong N'ly winds and high

The Norwegian steamer Urd reports: Southerly wind, and fine weather all the pas-

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping. Noon .- Matsuyama Maruleaves for Bom.

bay, &c. 4 p.m. - Glenesk leaves for Singapore.

Auctions. 11 s.m .- Auction of Sundries, &c., at Mesars. Hughes and Hough's. Noon .- Auction of Sundries at H. M

Naval Yard. Amusements. 9 15 p m .- Performance at the City Hall.

Miscellaneous. Goods per Occanien unclaimed after this date at Noon subject to rent.

General Memoranda. URSDAY, February 24 :-

3 p.m.-Auction of Shrubs, Pols and Plants, &c., at Isadale, Kowloon. Goods per Chelydra undelivered after 4 p.m. this date landed. FRIDAY, February 25 :--

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DEATH. On board the s.s. Verona, between Per Arratoon Apear, for Singapore, Mrs Singapore and Penang, on the February, GEORGE CLARK, P.W.D., Chew Fung, Mrs Tonng Noi, Mrs Mooi Yuk and boy, Mrs N. Kingdom, and Miss | Malacco, S.S. Honey; for Calcutta, Mr and Miss Walsh,

MARRIAGES. At Glasgow, on the 19th January, James GRAHAM, Jr. of Syme & Co., Singapore, to Per Tokio Maru, for Yokohama, Mesare LOUISA EDITH, eldest daughter of Robert | Chinese characters. C. Bell, A. W. Teale, and Mr and Mrs

At Balcairn, Meldrum, Aberdeenshire, Per Belgie, for Amoy, Messrs F. Lay. on the 19th January, by the Rev. R. Urqu. burn, H. P. White, F. B. Marshall, Rev. hart, assisted by the Rev. A. J. Chrystall, Jos. Juve, and Mr A. Burlingame Johnson; James Sellar, Manager, New Harbour for Shanghai, Mr and Mrs Gribble, Mesars Dock, Singapore, to MAGGIE RITCHIE. C. J. Ashley, J. M. Dickinson, W. E. eldest daughter of Wm. Ritchie, Esq., of Southcott, M. Lapten, Mr and Mra Burkill, Balcairn and Buxburn. Messra W. K. McGregor, W. G. Pierie, W.

The publication of this issue commenced

The China Mail.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

MONOKONO, TUESDAY, PEDRUARY 22, 1898.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL. (SUPPLIED THROUGH BEUTER.)

OUTWARD Bound :- Oapack, Jan. 14; Devonshire, 18; Glenshiel, Pathan, Ceres, 21; Venus, 25; Gisela, Ixion, Dardamus, Anapu, 28; Oanfu, Oceana, Energia, 31; Gerda, Benvoirlich, Sunda, Hounslow, Fob. 4; Menelans, Alton, Glauens Latona, Yarrowdale, 11; Rose Castle, Bayern, 15; Shanghai, Telamon, Ernest Simons, Manila, Monmouthshire, Oolong, Andalusia, Avala, 18.

HOMEWARD BOUND :- Cromarty, Jan. 11; Renlomond, 18; Canton, 21; Sikh, 28; Fernfield, 31; Malacca, Feb. 8; Myrmidon, Niobe, 11; Saghalien, Pectan, 15; Benledi, Kriemhild, Della, 16 .-

Mails.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s. s. Empress of Japan. with the Canadian Mail, left Shanghai on Monday, the 21st Feb., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 23rd Feb.

The P. M. s. s. Peru, with the AMERICAN Matt. of 25th Jan., left Yokohama on Thursday, the 17th Feb., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 25th Feb. FRENCH MAIL of Jan. 28th, left Sin-

gapore on Sunday, the 20th Feb., at 4 p.m.; and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 27th Feb. This Packet brings replies to letters patched from Hongkong on Dec. 22nd. The O. & O. Co.'s s. s. Coptic, with mails in Yokohama, too! &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama, Inland Sea, Kobe,

Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 3rd The P. M. Co.'s s. s. City of Rio de Janeiro, , with mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohoma, Inland Sea, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, on the 12th Feb.

Steamers Expected. The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Dardanus, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the morning of 17th Feb., and may be expected here on or about Tucsday, the 22nd Feb.

e D. D. R. str. Ceres, from Hamburg, left Singaporp for this port on Thursday, the 17th Feb., and may be be expected here on or about the 24th The B. L. str. Benlomond, from Antwerp

Feb. for this port. The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Socotra left Singait õp.m.

The s. s. Glenshiel, from Middlesboro, London and Straits, left Singapore Court. for this port on Friday morning, the 18th Feb. The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Bragmar sailed

from Tacoma, for Hongkong and Japan, on the 3rd Feb. The H. A. L. str. Andalusia passed Sucz Canal on the 18th Feb., and may be expected here about the 15th March. and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on Saturday afternoon, the 19th Feb., and may be expected here on or

about the 25th Feb. The C. N. Co.'s str. Taiman, from Australian Ports, left Port Darwin on 20th Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 1st March.

Latest Advices. The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Columbia has sailed from Tacoma. The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Mogel sailed from Portland on the 19th Feb., for Japan and Hongkong.
The s. s. Pathan, from New York, left Singapore on the 22nd Feb., and is dus here on or about the 28th Feb.

Exchange. Honokono, February 22, 1898. On London-Bank, Wire, ... On demand, 30 days' sight, 4 months aight. Documentary, 4 months' sight, ...1/104 On Paris— On demand, Credits, 4 months' eight, On Berlin-Demand,... On New York— On domand. Credita, 60 days' sight, ... 461 On Bombay-Wire, On demand, On Caloutta-On demand, On Singapore-On demand, On Manila— On demand On Shanghai— On demand 30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 751 Da Yokohama-On demand. Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)... Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ... 910.61 Silver (per os.) ... VERY fine. New Waltz by A. G. Ward, Pearl of the East, -Robinson Piane,

Court, decided that a bioycle is not an Lordship said, in his good-humoured way, deck. The orgines of 18,000 indicated article of necessity for an infant. It ap- that any day would suit him; he had got horse-power drive three surews which are Metropolitan Machinists Company and Criminal Sessions must be finished, and all of 80 knots, and with the sentre screw for, but £10 remained to be liquidated. his work must go overboard. And so the Hereafter the promise to do so was not time of the jurers was wasted again fulfilled and the company therefore sued the mother and her offspring for the balance, contending that for an infant a bicycle had Anwadays become a necessalty. Com. Ewangles, Martha Cosmopolity Batuan missioner Kerr declined to second that view, devotely thenking Providence that we had not yet resolved each a depictable

Yorks drew with Singapore C. C .- I goal Chusan.

** On page five will be found an interesting letter on a new system of writing

His friends in Hongkong will be pleased to hear that 'Blobs' has passed his examinations for promotion.

Kobe has a Cycling Association. - Its Hon. Secretary rejoices in the appropriate cognomen of Wheeler-H. S. Wheeler! It is reported that the U. S. cruiser

Olympia will shortly leave for America via Suez, and that the Brooklyn will relieve her on this station. The Powerful went out for a steam trial

yesterday afternoon, and notwithstanding the foggy weather a number of ladies were on board. She will probably go out again shortly on another trial. To-DAY being the anniversary of the birth

of George Washington, who was born in 1732 and died 14th December, 1799, the American warships in harbour were dressed early this morning, and at eight o'clock the British mon-of-war followed suit. The usual salutes were fired.

On the night of the 7th inst., a band of Formosan rebels attacked the Land Tax Office at Shinchiku, killing an official and a policeman and carrying off the money found on the premises. They were merely collecting the taxes in their own savage way! Happy Formosa!

'THEY seem to indulge in bold purloining in Hongkong, says 'Looker On' in the The M. M. Co.'s s. s. Melbourne, with the Japan Gazette, and a few paragraphs later he proceeds to purloin and pass off as his own a slab of 'copy' contributed by 'Musicus' to the China Mail a week or two ago. Yes, there were purloiners on those days-

> THERE is a village in Japan where all the male inhabitants are said to be drunkards. The Japan Gazette says that as soon as child is three or four years of age, the parents teach him to drink sake, and as he grows up his feats of drinking progress. Hence the village is a veritable den of drunkards. Here is an ideal field for the labours of temperance society.

On the 9th inst, a party of police, headed quarter of Bangkok to collect the poll-tax from the Chinese. The coolies, armed with revolvers, resisted, and in the melee and London, left Singapore on 17th that ensued two coolies were killed and fifteen wounded. The proprietor of the gapore for this port on the 18th Feb., mill being a British subject, the affair likely to be heard of again in the Consular.

THE same old unscemly wrangle continues | Port Arthur. among the English newspapers in Japan. One of our contemporaries is exceptionally busy just now, having journalist duels with several of his confrères. We remember the The C. M. Co. str. Oanfa, from Glasgow old adage of interposing in another man's quarrel, but cannot referred from expressing. tive exhibitions were dropped and the longauffering public of Kobe, Yokohama and Tokio provided with real news.

> and also with the larceny of twenty-four also arrested a shoemaker friend of the first soversigns, was set down for hearing to-day prisoner. The case was remanded. at the Criminal Sessions, but was postponed till Thursday owing to a difficulty respect. The two Russian warship Rossia, which

VARIETA AT THE DOOMS :-- At EMOSON Louist Talubum, Banteralda. Aberteen - (None). Company of the Law Books

IN a football match at Singapore the West | H.M.S. Alarrity left this afternoon forth

Tan Masonic Lodges gave a ball at Kobe on the 11th inst.

THE captain and officers of the Japanose croiser Fuso, which foundered recently off Nagahama, are to be tried by Naval Court Martial at Tokio

A YOKOHAMA paper states that that Japanese port was ' visited ' by a snowstorm on the 10th inst. Called in to leave its card, don't you know!

The Mogul Line s. s. Lennox, Captain Williamson, will be despatched for Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama, on Thursday, the 24th inst., at daylight,

An Allahabad telegram states that Colonel Mathias, of the Gordon Highlandors, is to ... receive the Victoria Cross for so gullantly leading his men at Dargai.

COLONEL Retallick, of the Houghong Regiment, will lecture in the City Hall tomorrow afternoon, under the suspiges of mer the 'Odd Volumes,' on 'The Habits and Customs of the Sikha.

A LONGSHOBEMAN overheard the remark to-day that the German gunboat Moere had got a move on her at last, meaning that this warship, after being in the hands of the Dock Company for some months, and undergoing a complete overhaul, put to sea. this morning.

Ar the yard of the Messageries Maritimes at La Citoat the new steamer Tonkin was to have been launched on 20th inst. The Tonkin and another steamer under construction, one built on the model of the Lacs" and the Indus, are all for the Indo-China line. Under the new contract with the French Government the mail steamers of the Messageries Biaritimes on this line have to go at the rate of 15 knots an hour.

Dr James Cantlie has been appointed joint editor with Dr Simpson, late Health Officer at Calcutta, of a new medical journal entitled 'The Journal of Tropical' Medicine.' Dr Simpson was at one time Medical Officer of Health for Aberdeen where Dr Cantlie graduated. Dr Cantlie is announced to lecture at the Imperial Institute on the 2nd March next on Colonial Medical Organisation, a subject that is receiving some attention at Home just now.

by a chief inspector, visited the rice-mill bow was at Port Arthur on the 9th insti-JAPANESE papers state that H.M.S. Rainand that the Redpole left Chemulpo for Port Arthur on the same day. On the 19th, the following ships arrived at Nagasaki from Chemulpo :- Grafton (Admiral Fitzgerald's flagship), Undaunted, Nurs cients, and Daphne. The Phanix arrived on the 13th, and on the same day the Russian cruiser Admiral Nachimoff, which, it is rumoured, sails for Europe, arrived from

THE Police Magistrate was engaged to-day hearing a case in which an Indian tailor, living in Elgin Road, Kowloons was defrauded of \$260 of hard-larged the opinion that it would be more seemly, ings Bank of the National Bank on 4th inst., for safe keeping. The talker could neither read nor write. On the 18th he missed his bank book from his box, and the following day he went to the Bank, and from inquiries made found that his money The trial of the two men of the Hongkong had been drawn. Suspecting the first de-Regiment, charged with administering a fendant, who lives with him, of the thath stupifying drug, datura albu, to an on- he gave information to the Police, and member of the Regiment on 18th January, Inspector Moffet effected his arrest, and

ing an interpreter. Mr E. Robinson, who arrived this afternoon, is a powerappeared for the first prisoner, intimated ful addition to Russia's fleet in the that he understood Hindustani very imper- Far East. The Rossid was the feetly, and the second did not understand largest vessel affect until Britain built the it at all. Mr Justice Wise said the pri. Powerful and her consort. She was soners appeared to understand the dialect launched at St. Petersburg, on May 12. perfectly at the Magistracy. Mr Robinson | 1896, and grounded on the Neva as soon as said the first prisoner understood imper. she was launched, but was floated off and fectly, and part of the evidence appeared rapidly completed for sea, In the same to have been taken over at the Barracks, year she again grounded on a shoat when probably the services of an interpreter in Kronstadt reads, but was floated from the regiment were utilized. Referring off without any material damage. to an application for the cases against the and docked at Kronstadt. She some two prisoners to be taken separately, His what resembles the Porcerful, having Lordship said in that way the case would four funnels, but has one mast more than go on for about a month! Mr Robinson the British vessel. The armament of the stated his reason for not having informed Russian ship is exposed, while that of the the Court previously that the services of Powerful is in protected casements. The ... 10% the interpreter were required, was that he Rossia's armament consists of four 8-inhad only received a copy of the depositions guns, mounted in sponsons forward and the previous evening, and he had only aft; six 4.7-in. quick-firers on the upper ascertained that morning that the prisoners | deck on the broadside ; sixteen 6-in. quickdid not understand Hindustani. It was firing guns on the main deck in the bate. ultimately resolved that Lieutenant Comp. | tery, and 36 smaller quick-firers distributed bell, of the Hongkong Regiment, who was in the tops and on the upper works. She in Court, should secure the services of a has five torpedo-tubes and carries four tor-Pustau interpreter, and a Punjabi in pedo-boats. Protection is afforded by a terpreter, and when the question of belt at the water-line, extending over three-Commissioner Kerr, at the City of London adjournment was under consideration, His fourths of the length, and an armoured Poplar, went with her son to the summary bases fixed for every day, but the capable of propelling the vessel at a speed alone the Rossia is able to steam 9 knots. The Reets has a double bottom and 149 water-tight compartments. Her complet ment is 700 men and 55 afficiers

> Thene is one thing ! tan't understand. What is it I When we read that a pani

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[Supplied to the 'China Mail.']

Lonnon 20th February, 1898. PARLIAMENT.

Address.

humblest citizen.

GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN AFRICA.

Mr Chamberlain has received a telegram from the Governor of Lagos, stating that a British force of Haussis' occupied Botis, in the Lagos hinterland, on the 6th instant; and that the French, arriving, there on the 9th instant, ordered the lowering of the Union Jack. This being refused, the French force withdrew, and encamped outside the town. The French have also established a military post at Wae in the hinterland of the Gold Coast, and murched past the British post at Mussa despite Major Northcote's protest.

The British Army estimates show an increase to the establishment, exclusive of India, of 16,046 men, as compared with the estimates of 1807, where of 286 are officers.

THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

WEATHER REPORT. The following notice is issued from the

Observatory :-On the 22nd at 11.35 a. The barometer highest over Central China, lowest in the depression now probably moving to the N.E. over Japan. Gradients moderate. Forceast :- fresh N. and N.E. winds ; dull at first, then improving.

GREAT EASTERN & CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

The following report has been received from the Manager at the Mines :-Mount Macdonald, N.S. W.,

28th Jan., 1898. Great Eastern Main Shaft has been extended a further depth of 9 feet, making a total depth from the brace of 120 feet. All timber ladder stages have been put in position, so that this shalt is enmplete to the shove depth. At present there is a hard bar of country in the bottom, which,

however, should pass out in a few feet. the amusement of the public. 'Misa Old Great Eastern drive 50 feet level .-After having the broken quarts to the surface, we have started to continue this the 'little bit of string' in the A.D.C., is drive in order to cut the shutes of gold higher up the hill.

Caledonian Main Shaft has been sunk a now into better country, but the shaft is traking a little more water.

"Zulu Main Shaft.—I am glad to be able to inform you that we have recovered the have been looking for it after being unable to trace it in the hanging wall. The reef. after cutting out on a floor, has made to the ne small pleasure of all concerned. again, and whilst it was only 9 inches wide above the floor it averages now 18 inches, the width improving with depth, which speaks well for the future of this mine. An average sample sent to Sydney for

Beesy gave : 3 025. 0 dwt. 10 gr. Gold. per ton a very pleasing result. Owing to the prospection work and timbering we have unly been able to sipk three more feet, making the total from brace 83 feet."

Prospecting Shaft. This has been sunk a further depth of 12 feet, or a total depth from brace of 74 feet. There is nothing fresh to report from here. The formation is still going down, and in very broken formance; and we confess it improves very country, three open cracks or floors being much upon acquaintance, We are glad to out in the shaft last wook.

Rain .- We had two splendid showers, and have now ample water.

pleasant place British North Borneo is to be sure! From the official Sisip station, a man was attacked by a very his assistance and dragged him from the they ought to have dropped. Taking very seriously mauled; his legs were bitten, this performance altogether, the A.D.C. man's wounds were tied up, and he was brought to Saudakan, where he is an invery numerous and very fercolous, and Rehearted (however enchanting) of a Pan-Larger than he has soon in any other rivers.

At high tide the obscodiles are to be tomine.

Found underneath the mative houses waitdag for their proy.

Consumption Terral er Had you have on your last journey! Se Travellared Great luck The haby di

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS KOWLOON DETACHMENT.

.The fourth Competition for the Gillies Cup 'took place on the Naval Range, Kowloon. The weather was dull and rainy, while the wind gave many of the competiis reported to be very fine by those who ters some trouble especially at 500 yards. The following were the best scores :-

- 200 400 500 Hand Th Stewart31 . 33 23 Sergt. McPhail30 28 Gunner Swanston ...27 23 22 Gilchrist ... 26 . 31 . 20 Lieut. Macdonald ...28 32 20 Gunner Deas24 29 16 Wilson26 18 16

THE A.D.C. SECOND PERFORMANCE. The Hongkong A.D.C. gave their second performance of 'The Duchess of Bayswater and Co.' and " A Pantomimo Relieursal, last night. There is no doubt whatever that the bill of fare was acceptable, because City Hall is not filled to-morrow evening that was shown not only by the full house, by an appreciative audience, from His Exbut also by the evident expressions of collenoy the Acting Governor and Comapproval tendered by the audience. In the first piece - which may be fairly described mander-in-Chief of the Forces down to the as the 'Impecunious Earl Company versus of the play was clearly represented. the characters contributed their dividend- The Duchess' was more satisfactory than on the previous occasionwhich means that she was more like her The House of Commons has voted the of the most capable and conscientious of the members of the A.D.C. 'Kathleen,' as we have already stated, is what the crities correctly call an 'acquisition,' and we can only express the hope that we shall see Mrs Bagnall, Wild in many more important roles during this and other seasons. Nothing more need be said of her father (Sir Timothy Joles); he was, if possible, more valetudinarian than ever, and perhaps the prompter had less to do with his 'lines' than formerly, while he did, what he always does, act admirably up to his "conception of the part. He usually hits the right conception, and he did so on this occasion. Si Timothy may well be 'left sitting.' 'Stubbs filled the position left for him with judicious good-sense. Mr Balloch was the postilential, commercial 'Duke of Bayswater' to a fine point; and we fancy this actor will show to better effect later on .- Of the re petition of the 'Rehearsal' little more need be said than that it was accepted even more heartily than on Saturday; and deservally so, because the parts were represented with more confidence than in the first performance. We fully recognise the difficulty of 'playing the fool'-or of playing 'pretend' (as the children call it), -and, taking the 'Rehearsal' as it is intended to has risen considerably on the China coast, he pourtrayed, we have no hesitation in fallon in the extreme North. Pressure is saying that it was very stupid and excessively amusing. The stupidity, however, is of the style of Alice in Wonderland '-in which the child world takes a deep interest. Perhaps the super-excellent

blunders (self-made) of a Rehearsal of such a play will be described as 'I estimated to cover the expenditure for the and Moberley rushed up and might have man, what awful rot! the position of the rehearsers, fails to catch the full measure of the fun intended to be conveyed. Poor 'Decdes' has a hard time, and he braves it out well. Deeds, not words, applies well hore, as Mr Grace has done as much as any one of late years for

satisfactory in every point of view. Mrs Browitt, Mrs Clark, and Mrs Grimble, are further depth of 10 feet, making 87 feet in | well known on the boards, and acquitted all from brace. We seem to be getting themselves most favourably. Mr Caldwell (as Lord Pomoroy) was again, as we have already said, the life and movement of the ! Rehearsal, with his concepshute of gold in the foot wall, where we tions and his changes and he was helped by 'Miss Lily,' on one or two occasions,

Violet, '(Mrs Grace), having now got hold of

Dr. Watson (as Captain Tom) was in great | transferring \$15,000 annually from working form as joint robber with Lord Arthur, and some of the most excruciatingly funny scenes were the result of this partnership. increase. It does not occur to me to make The 'waning moon ' and the 'death scene' word simply sufficient to call for shouts of uprogrious mirth from youngsters (whose piping laughter was very refreshing to hear) and from every grown-up who knew anythingof the distinction between harmless joy and past sorrow. This was, we are inclined to think, the keynote of last night's per-

hear it is to be repeated on Saturday next, and that part of the proceeds will go to the best virtue-viz., charity. The whole Rehearssi' went with a better swing than to did on Saturday because, as we have Herald of that interesting territory we take already hinted, it is difficult for the A D.C. the following item :- On the morning of to feign stupidity. What we may call the basis, so that we may not be suddenly the 22nd January, at about 9 o'clock, at youthful trippers, danced with more surprised at a demand for a very heavy large crocodile, only about 6 feet from the grace than ever, and they were encored, pleasure in seconding the report. winting. The Police immediately went to and tripped until one would have thought

the wounds penetrating to the bones. The have stored a success in a new line, and in so doing they have shown beyond a doubt mate of the Hospital. Mr Wardrop awa they will be ready to succeed again in that the crocodiles on the Sugut River are something much more ambitious than the turn for the ensuing year.

> Since the operation of the Japanese gold standard 4,107,000 yen worth of subsidiary coins have been issued by the Government. Of the potest 2,708,000 yen were 50-sen elicon and the balance co-sen silver .- Journ

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

The eleventh ordinary annual meeting of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., was held to day at the presided. The other gentlemen present wore ;-Mesers H. Ritchio, E. S. Whealter, G. D. Böning, C. S. Sharp, C. Bourmann, A. Siebs (Directors); E. Osborne (Secretary), G. C. Cox, R.C. Wilcox, P. Jordan, E. Georg, G. B. Dodwell, F. Dodwell, J. The Secretary read the notice convening

The Chairman said—Gentlemen, the Roport and Accounts for the past year have been in your hands for some days, and with your permission we will take them as ready The business of the Company for 1897, Mackay, J. F. Noble, A. S. Anjon, J. D. taken as a whole; shows improvement on previous years; but we find that year by year as Hongkong becomes less a centre of transhipment to other parts our receipts from this, a more profitable class of work, Barlow, Gow, Duncan, MacSwayed, and diminish accordingly. The falling off, it is | Yale. true, is more than compensated for by new

and extended business in other directions, but the substituted work is of a nature which shows small profit and entails proportionately greater work and expense Apart from storago, almost the whole of been wrested from Chinese competitors, R.M.L.L. and it is gratifying to know that in spite of the severe, and I might almost add unfair, compatition, to which we are subject, we have, with the exception of one class of the Retired Tin-meat operator -the spirit | cargo, retained in our hands everything thus acquired. This exception, viz., the handling and storage of Coal, subject which has engaged the aften tion of your Directors, but we find i tont, for the reason that a Public Commany

impossible to improve matters to any excannot resort to those subtle expediencies usual-self, - for Mrs Caesar Hawkins is one by means of which others, in the same line of business, appear to command so large measure of success. The new West Point Godowns, notwithstanding the low rates for storage accepted elsewhere, have been kent profitably filled, and in order to extend business relations with our Chinese supporters, we are erecting further ac commodation on the land recently occupies by the transit shed. As regards the Wanchai Godowns, which you will recolled were leased in 1896, I have only to remark that the results have so far fully justified the action of your Board in acquiring them Turning to a source of revenue which it may be arguel is scarcely within the scope of the Company's operations, will observe it estated in the Report that we have made further additions to the

Chinese Houses at Kowloon, A few years ago, the bind on which these houses stand, and which comprises 19,248 square feet, was waste ground yielding nothing. It is now bringing in a nett yearly rental of \$1,800, which, capitalised at 8 1 makes the property worth \$60,000. The Company owns 126,353 feet ground adjoining these houses, and it will be the policy of your Board to develor this portion of your property in a similar manner, so that should the necessity arise, it can be utilised towards repayment of the Debentures, and this too without seriously interfering with the Company's business. The Assets of the Company, I may again remind you, stand in our Palance Sheet at a very low figure-the buildings and other moveable property at less than the cost of

replacing them, whilst the land figures at

considerably below its market value to-day. With regard to the Company's indebtedness. outside of Debentures, the amount of which nothing. A few minutes later. Stade, hard has gradually increased of late years, the whole of the money, I may mention, has own goal, and Yule and MacSwayed been spent in new buildings and other -additions to the Company's Assets all of which are of a remunorative character. You will notice a large sum bas been spent | and threw out before being bowled over in Repairs and improvements during the into the net by Duncan. A slip by Ritpast year, and it has been suggested that | chie, let Mackay and Noble past, and the some explanation of this may advisable in view of the statement in game to the other end of the field. A fine our Report for 1895 that \$25,000 was pass by Mackay travelled across the goal, following year, and that no exceptional scored had he not been off side. This was outlay would be necessary for some time to a splendid chance missed. Shortly after. We put it that any one who fails to realise come. The explanation is, that the \$25,000 | the Kowloon goalkeeper rushed out and applied more especially to Wharves, and on reference to what I stated at our meetings in 1896 and 1897, you will find that my goal, but Wilson and Lapsley got the ball remarks on the subject of repairs rendered

this more clear. Since then, however, it has been found necessary to overhaul the Gudown roofs very extensively, and rebuild that of No. 10 Godown. Also owing to ravages of white ants, which caused during past years serious damage to cargo, wa have had to cement the floor and at the same time to raise the level of A/B Godown. Many of these so-called repairs might properly be charged to the first cost of the buildings, inasmuch as they are the outcome of converting rough | raking pass across the goal, but Duncan accommodation of valuable goods. The item for renairs with such perishable property as wooden Wharves. Tramways. Launches and Lighters must of necessity always occupy a prominent position in our annual expenditure, but we hope, for some time at least, to keep it at very much less than during the last few years, and should you approve a continuance of the policy of account towards Repairs—the balance at credit of Depreciation and Repairs Account will. I anticipate, shew a satisfactory further remarks, but before moving the adoption of the Roport and Accounts I shall be pleased to answer any question

that you may wish to ask. There being no questions, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and passing of the accounts. Mr Wilcox-I beg to second the adoption of the report and accounts. I am sure we have all heard with very much interest the lengthy speech of the Chairman, and are gratified to find that the prospects of the Company are so good. Shareholders, I am sure, will join with me in satisfaction at the increased fortune. (Hear, hear.) We hope it may go on and improve, but we do not wish to see it-I am sure any of usincrease at the expense of the welfare of the Company. (Hear, hear.) The fund for repairs and renewals ought to be kept up, and I think that that is the best plan for putting the Company on a firm, a sound

sum in the chape of repairs. I have great Mr Ho Fook proposed that Messrs A. J. Raymond, G. D. Böning and D. Qubbay be confirmed as Directors. Mr Wilcox seconded.

Mr Ho Tung proposed that Messrs A Ross and C. S. Sharp be re-elected Direc-Mr Goosmann seconded,

otte as suditare. Mr Goorg seconded,

HONGKONG FOOTBALL SHIELD COMPETITION.

HONGKONG P. C. v. KOWLOON P. C. The tie between the Hongkong and Kow-Company's Office. Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving | loon Football Clubs in the second round of the Shield Competition was played off at the Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, on A. J. Raymond, A. Ross, D. Gubbay, N. the ground of the Hongkong Club. The weather was disagreeable, a drizzling rain falling throughout the game, making the Goosmann, Granville Sharp, Ho Tang and | ground heavy and the ball greasy, and the work of the players at times very uncertain. The teams were as follow:---

> Hongkonn F. C. = Goal, P. G. Davies, R.A.; backs, C. T. Kew and H. Pinckney; half-backs, H. W. Slade, H. W. Looker (captain), and F. H. Kew; forwards, E. F. Danby, and H. S. Moherley.

Kowloon F. C. -- Goal, Burrell; backs, Labsley and Dyer; half-backs, Ritchie, Wilson (captain) and Smillie; forwards,

Mr. J. W. L. Oliver, by general request, was referee, and discharged his responsible duties with his customary ability and saz, this increased business has, it may be said, were Mr F. Browne and Corporal Simpson,

Winning the toss, the Hongkong captain

elected to play towards the Monument

oal. In the opening parages, play was]

evenly divided, being transferred from and

ball nicely into the goal mouth, but Wil- and the nimble right wingers got down into forgotten. In the Sahara desert, the heat, the right wing and centred to Anton, who the hall spinning into the net. Kowloon, passed forward too strongly, and the ball | 3 goals; Hongkong, 1. From this point went behind. Kowloon now looked in on to safety. Ritchie placed the ball once diere Dyer countering Anton, who was badly growth which is making headway in many houses were partly destroyed, and the in the goal mouth, but Looker cleared. winded and knocked out of time. While Back it came and bobbed about for some he was being attended to the whistle went time in front of Davies, who had an anxious for time; and a pleasant game ended .time, not only on account of the opposing forwards but through the uncertainty of some of his own back division. Ritchie indulged in some fine half back play, and gave his forwards several chatters, but they were very slack and no score resulted. From a throw-in by Slade, Wilson, with his head, gave Yule a chance-to-get away but he was too slow and finished up wit a weak shot when a stordy pass across the goal would probably have brought his side a point. Relief was given by the ball going behind. Still Kowloon pressed, and Dancan was within an acc of scoring when Davies kicked behind his own goal-line. Barlow took the corner, and placed it see accurately that the Hongkong custodian had to fist out. After a tussle with Gow, Danby got the ball away; but the run was stopped owing to someone having pushed Barlow from behind. The foul brought pressed; kicked back strongly into his were down upon Davies like a flash but the goalkeeper was on the slert got down quickly, gathered the bal be Hongkong forwards at once transferred the cleared another fine pass by Mackay; F. H. Kew returned the ball dangerously near away, and it was run down to the other end and sent over the line. Some long kicking finished up by leaving the ball with Dancan, but it was too greaty, by this time for accurate shooting and another behind brought relief. A foul against Wilson at mid-field let Hongkong away, and a nicely combined run by Dauby and Moborley promised woll. Ritchie and Wilson go back as appedily to the assistance of Lansley and Dyer and play was transferred to the Holigkong territory. Barlow sunt missed the opportunity. Rowloan kept up the siege, but Wilson kicked behind. bad miss by Pinckney enabled the Kowloon forwards to get dangerous again, bat the ball was got nway. a look in, but fou d the Kowloon backs too strong; and Barlow, from a next pass by Gow, got away on the right wing, played with Pinckney; and was on the point of shooting when he was overrup by Looker, who saved at the expense of a corner. Barlow took the place. Davies was blocked by some of his own side, and could not get on to the ball fairly, and in attempting to fist out a splendidly-placed shot, just managed to graze the ball as it found its way into the net. The game had just been restarte when the whistle sounded half-time.

KowLoon1 goal

Up to this point, Kowloon had slightly more of the game; but the advantage was so small that the Hongkong supporters were justified in hoping for a close struggle. Hongkong kicked off, and started well. A mis-kick by Ritchie, let the Hongkong forwards down upon Burrell in a hunch, Wilson and Dyer kept them in check, and Ritchie atoned by some fine tackling, coming through the crowd with the ball at his too. The ball travelled quickly from end to end, and a fine run by the Hongkong forwards was rendered useless by a feeble kick hishind by Noble. Duncan kicked over at the other end; and from the goal-kick Anton headed smartly over to Moberley, who was in grand form. He easily passed Smillie and Lapsley, and getting out of the cluster of Kowloonites, who strove to dispossess him of the hall, he chopped over to Mobile, whose parting kick struck Lapsley luckily, and Wilson relieved for the time. Looker roturned to Moberley, who repeated his tastics, got down close to the goal and passe: ed across. Anton and Mackay were both under Burrell's charge, and Mackay got the pass and had the honour of being the first to score a goal against Kewloon this season. Barometer It was a smart pieco of play. Kowloon, 1 Temperature goal | Hongkong, I goal. Kowloon, from Humidity ... the kick-off, at once bore down on Davies, Direction of Mr Granville Sharp proposed the re- and bombarded his charge, but all attempts election of Messra F. Henderson and W. H. | to force the ball through were fruitless, and | Force Carried.

The Chairman—That concludes the busi- Hongkoog factored their supporting with ness of the meeting. I have only to inform about fine rushes, but the K whom defends you that dividend warrants will be posted was too powerful. The Kowloon forwards

chance which he foozled: Barlow, Gow, and Duncan were playing nicely together; but twice Barlow sent the ball behind. An unpleasant feature of the match at this stage was the nasty 'barracking' of a group of the King's Own near the Hongkong goal, the soldiers, for some unaccountable reason, jeering at the Kowloon players loon forward got away with the ball, Fortu-

end. Kowloon, however, secured a corner a few seconds later; but it was badly mullbetter part of the play about this time. Kwangtung Province. to end with a rapid transition that made Davies, charged by Duncan and MacSway. unth Lapsley deprived them of the ball. Hongkong custodian was having a bosy abnormal condition of the weather. ate a corner for Hongkong. He placed the headed the ball over to Gow and Barlow, ducing the temperature is very, apt to be son, with his ubiquitous head, intercepted, the corner. Barlow kicked strongly across which during the day is so great as to be and, getting to work nimbly, Barlow sent the gonlmouth, and Slade missed badly, almost unbearable, is fellowed at night by the ball across the field to MacSwayed, who Yule shot for goal at close quarters, but | cold so intense that travellers are forced to was cleverly deprived of the sphere by C. Davies intercepted; but before the ball seek protection under many blankets, a T. Kew. Mackay brought the ball down could be got away Gox dashed in and sent state of things entirely due to rapid radiathe match was over. A combined run by his perhaps not an entirely unmixed bless-Davies, who ran out pluckily and punted in the Hongkong forwards was checked by ing, and it is possible if the rank under-

Kowtoon 3 goals

. Honorong 1 goal. The better team won. Weakened by the absonce, through illness, of Mayson at back and the departure of Head, the Hongkong cam was severely handicapped; for although Danhy was a good substitute for Head the same can scarcely be said of Mayson's sub. The strength of the Hougkong team lay in its forwards. They were speedy, and, individually, good, hey lacked that combination essential for acoring points. Slade was not n his best form at half, and Pinckney was far too slow at full back and not strong enough in his kicking. His proper place, of course, is at centre half, and his return Club. Looker and F. H. Kew played well, but Kew had a tricky couple of forwards to play against and they frequently got past him and Pinckney. C. T. Kew was not so showy as in the recent match against the Regiment; but this was due to sickness, and he is to be commanded for his plucky play throughout the game. Davies has not played a better game in goal. He was frequently tested, and when given could not have saved. On the Kowloon side, the weak spots were Yule (forward), Smillie (half-back), and Lapsley (full-back). With-mere experience with the team these three will improve. Yule is a smart forpassing with his companion or the centre forward. Smillie's fleetness of feet-onabled him to retrieve some glaring misses, whilst Lapsley's mistakes word

LOCAL Composers, 6 Pieces, by Orange, Robinson Piano Company.

unplayed,

Quotations. Honokone, Fob. 22, 1898, OPIUM-New Patna, cash, ... 695 New Bennros, cash, 700 , cash, 710 New Malwa, credit, 780 Allowance Tack, ... 0/18 Lunt Year New 770/780 Allowance, Taels ... 0/24 O.d M.lwa credit,... -Allowance, Taela, ... Persian, Paper tied 8:0/890 Allowanse, Taels, ... 0/10 P. raian Paper fied 740 Allowance, Taslarus 8/ 6

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CORRESPONDENCE

THE WEATHER. To the Editor of the ! CHINA MAIL. Hongkong, February 21.

Szz, - 'The oldest inhabitant' is, I notice, again on the warpath, and by his, or and shouting 'off-side' whonever a Kow- her, mouth-piece, 'Inquirer,' in the colouins of your morning contemporary, somewhat nately, the referee was uninfluenced by this | irreverently refers to the present state of hostile demonstration. Barlow made one the weather by implying that things meof his spirited runs down the right wing, teorological are under the control of no after some nice play with Gow, and higher authority than an ordinary weacentring beautifully the pass was taken up ther office.' The weather lately experiby MacSwayed, who breasted the ball enced, and which still continues, is excepthrough some two feut away from Davies, | tional, but not phenomenal. Anyone who Kowloon, 2 goals; Hongkong; 1. The interests himself in atmospheric distur-Hongkong players, were not dismayed. bances must have noticed that February is They played up very pluckily, and the for- often guilty of strange vagaries. It has ward line had some fine runs, Moberley in | produced, perhaps, the coldest weather ever one side and Mackay on the other especially witnessed in Hongkong by wither the bidest excelling. Wilson tried a long shot, but inhabitant, or anyone else. Some years Pinckney punted out, and Moberley, scenr ago, the thermometer recorded many value of property destroyed in each case. ing the ball, drippled the whole length of the | degrees of frost (be it remembered Hongfield, coming through the Kowloon half- kong is within the tropics), and the prebacks and backs in grand style. With no- sent high range forcibly illustrates how far hady but the goalkeeper between him and it can move in the opposite direction. The victory he concluded the finest run of the people of New England pride themselves with the fire at No. 99, Jervois Street, in day with a feeble shot wide of the mark. on being able to manufacture more wea-Probably the greasy state of the ball ac- ther in twenty-four hours than any other counted for this palpable miss. Dyer took | State in the Union can do in the same | the place, and kicked out strongly to Bar- number of days. Hongkong is less imisfaction to all concerned. The linesmen low, who had a pointless run to the other potuous, but it is not much behind in diversity. That, the afforestation of the island can ed by MacSwayed. Moberley once again in any degree contribute to the present

looked dangerous, but was attended to by state of things seems entirely improbable, Wilson, who had gone to Smillie's assistance. | because as is very pertinently remarked in | imprisonment with hard labour. Kowloon had another pointless corner, and | the comments on 'Inquirer's' letter 'a few kept up the pressure, having by far the trees on a little dot in the sea cannot affect

'The cuormous number of trees which May. the game interesting to the two hundred or | ed, just managed to save a nasty shot; and | have been planted,' materially assisted by more spectators who had braved the in saving another from half-back he tipped | the dense undergrowth which has sprung elements' under the careful hap of mack- over the cross-bar. The corner was kicked up, by greatly retarding radiation may intosh and umbrella. From the outset, by Barlow, and Wilson had a shot but have had much to do with bringing about the Hongkong forwards, speedy and dash- failed to pierce the defence. Barlow next that higher range of night minimum toming, tested the powerful back division of tried one, but Davies was on the alert, perature without producing a correspond-Kowloon, and from a next bit of play by Another shot from Wilson was caught ing increase in the day maximum which Dauby the left wing came down with a land dropped by Davies, who managed has been observable for some years past, dangerous rush and looked like acoring to kick out before being charged. The but cannot be responsible for the present Back they came and Looker had to negoti- time, and was saving well. Duncan The powerful effects of radiation in re-

Vegetation presents another phase and parts of the island is allowed to go on unchecked, we may have a development of \$34,000. something analogous to what is known elsewhore as jungle fever. - Yours faithfully, WEATHER-COCK.

MUSICAL NOTES. Mr Ward will give an Organ Recital on Monday next in the Cathedral.

Senor Sarasate has given to his native to him by Royal and distinguished persons in the course of his career. The collection includes a set of pearls given by Queon Victoria, three rings by Wilhelm I, a watch the Colony will be welcomed by the in blue enamed by Napoleon III, and a set of diamonds by Alphonse XII.

Dr W. H. Longhurst has retired from the post of organist of Cantorbury Cuthedraf. He has been connected with the Cathedral for 70 years. Dr Longhurst, who is 78 years of age, retires on a full salary, and rea chance by his own men was never found | tains the use of his pleasant house in the wanting. The goals scored against him, he Precincts at Canterbury. In 1878 he was appointed organist and master of the choristers, and two years later the Archbishop | Messra. Shand and Mason) was completed conferred on him the degree of Doctor of ward but rather light, and he ought to Music. Dr Longhurst, it may be added, is neutralise this disadvantage by smarter a member of the Board of Examiners of the London College of Music.

A correspondent writes to the Musical due entirely to lack of experience. When | Standard about the much-talked-of 'mailed he has played the game a little longer he firt.' He says: The true mission of will know that the safest way of clearing Prince Henry of Pruesia has quite escaped is not usually to meet the opposing forward | the notice of our able editors and politic full-tilt. The remainder of the Kowloonites | cians. It was all very well of the German played well. MacSwayed maintained his Emperor to refer mysteriously to 'mailed reputation for goal-scoring, and Duncan, fists, but that was only as a blind. The Gow and Barlow made a splendid trio, the truth is, Prince Henry is a skilled smat ur latter's centres and shots for goal being violinist, accustomed to play as a virtuoso were both in good form, and Dyer's work at | embarked at. Kiel .. he was seen to back, if not showy, is most effective. Bur. carry his valuable 'Strad' on board the Contral Police Station. rell, on the whole, got nothing to do; and in his own hands. The spectacle was he need not break his heart over the goal too much for the feelings of the sailors East and West Point Police Stations, the scored by Mackay, for it was impossible to on shore, who, we are told, cried out Central Fire Station, and Central Police save it. The game was played with good in their excitement 'The Prince will Station, from which further improvement tempor throughout, notwithstanding the make the Chinese dance, thus betraying in the maidity of communicating slarms is efforts of a few military spectators the real object of the expedition. Superficial expected an element of animosity. For the sake of people might think the exclamation is at the game in Hongkong, it is to be hoped one with the 'mailed fist,' but we are that while legitimate encouragement is convinced that would be a far-fetched the Committee, placed under the superviaccorded all the players in the future ties interpretation. Rumour has it that the sion of two European Engine Drivers, who there will be no other unseemly exhibition German Emperor has composed a violin take charge of this auxiliary Brigade at on the part of the spectators, no more at. sonata and that it is to be tried on the fires. The result has been satisfactory, tempts to bluff a referee to the disadvantage | Chinese. The explanation of the mailed and further improvement may be looked of any of the teams. Mr Oliveria not a re- fist and the obsolete German cruisers is, for. ferce to be bluffed, however, and the Shield | therefore, quite clear. We believe, how-Committee will be fortunate if it can secure ever, there is no truth in the rumour that his services for as many of the ties as remain a couple of transports have been chartered to convey German bands to China !

In the recently published 'Life of Lord Wards, &c. Xmas 1897, Price, \$1.00, - Tennyson, we are told that the post playod a little on the flute, but complicated music he only cared for as suggesting cchoes of winds and waves. Music seemed to him to be the language of spirits, and he would say 'I can feel the glory, though cannot follow the music. I know that I nuiss a great doal by not understanding It often seems to me that music must take up expression at the point where poetry leaves off, and expresses what cannot be expressed in words."

The North American Saenger Bund will celebrate its Golden Jubilee in the city of Cincionati, Ohio, U.S.A., in 1899, prize of \$1000 (gold) is offered for the best composition, to be sung at the opening concert of the Festival. The composition is intended for a mixed Chorus, Solos and Orchestra, and should occupy not less than For HOISOW & PAKHOL.forty and not more than sixty minutes. The last day for receiving compositions is August 1st, 1898. I heard some time ago that one of our local composers was anxious to cover himself with glory by writing a cantate or oratorio, -now is his oppormusicus,

was one day discovered at the biatio with a copy of Tannhauser before him, only the music stood on the rack upside down. What are you doing there, inaustro! saked his visitor. Don't you nes I am brying to understand Wagner, For and I can't manage it. But you have Bob the music the wrong way. Oh Histof it fill child holy why le holy ho pelles.

HONGKONG FIRE BRIGADE. REPORT BY SUPERINTENDENT MAY.

The following report, dated 3ist January, 1898, is published in the Government Gazette :-

Sin, - I have the honour to submit the following report on the Government Fire Brigade for the year 1897.

-2. There were 26 Fires, two of which occurred on vessels in the harbour, and 58 Incipient Fires during the past year. Dutails regarding each will be found attached. The Brigade turned out 40 times during the year. The estimated damage caused by the fires

was \$177, 150.60 and by the incipient fires \$334.50. A list is attached shewing the number of fires that have occurred during each of the last ten years, with the estimated 3. There were three presecutions for arson. In two cases the intention was to

defraud and in these the presecutions were successful. The first was in connection which three occupants of the first floor, which had no connection with the shop on the ground floor where the fire originated, were smalhered by smoke before they could be rescued. Among the débris on the ground floor

were found unmistakeable evidence of incemliarism, and the master of the shop was convicted and sentenced to 15 years'

The second case was in connection with the incipient fire which occurred at No. 231, Quoen's Road Central on the 21st of

The Chinese Constable on the best noticed smoke issuing from the bouse, and forcing an entrance found the cubicle, used by the accountant of the shop on the ground floor, on fire in four different places. With commendable courage and presence of mind he bent out the flames with an old

The accountant was convicted and sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment with

bard labour. These convictions seem to have had a beneficial effect, for the estimated value of property destroyed by the 14-fires that occurred up to the 21st of May amounted to \$115,950, while the estimated value of property destroyed by the 12 fires occurring after that date amounted to \$61,200, including the are of the 15th June which took place before the second conviction.

4.7 The latter fire was the most destructive that occurred during the year. Throc value of the damage done was estimated as

The spread of the fire to the adjoining houses in this case was entirely due to the large and stoutly constructed saushades existing in Jervois Street, the removal of which had to be effected before the Brigade could work with their ladders. The delay that was thus caused was considerable, and was undoubtedly the cause of the fire

Since then the shop-keepers in Jervois Street have been induced by Mr Chat am, when Acting Director of Public Works, to town, Pampeluna, all the jewols presented make their sunshades moveable so as to avoid such obstruction in future.

5. At the fire in No. 64, Third Strout on the 24th of November, 15 persons unfortunately lost their lives. They were occupants of the first floor. The fire originated under the only staircase leading to the floor, and the woodwork being light (as in most Chinese houses) it immediately burned so fiercely that no person could venture down the stairs.

The occupants retreated to the kitchen, and before assistance could arrive the whole floor was in flames and they were sufficiented. The houses on each side of that burned, had ladders leading from the kitchen to the roof, but unfortunately such was not the case The water in the mains was not

turned off at any time during the year. 7. The new Bonting Fire Engine (the engines and appliances of which are by and available for service in February last; and has given satisfaction,

8. I attach a list of places where Fire Despatch Boxes are kept, and of prirate telephones to which the Police have. courteously been granted access in case of fire, together with copy of a report from the Acting Engineer on the state of the various Fire Engines, which are all in good working order.

9. It has not been found possible yet to carry out the extension of the Central Pire Station that I recommended last year. Till that is clone it is impussible to effect any material improvement in rapidity in dealing with fires from the Central Fire Station. 10. By an acceleration in sounding the invariably first-class. Ritchie and Wilson and in amateur orchestras, and when he alarms, a gain of two minutes has been effected in the turn-out of the firemen at

Electric alorms here now been fixed at

11. On the 11th of May the Nam Pak Hong Fire Brigade was, by the consent of

12. The conduct of the Brigade throughout the year has been good,

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-For SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOM-

Por Matsuyama Maru, at 11 30 s.m., on Wednesday, the 23rd February. For SINGAPORE & RANGOON -Per Glenesk, at 3.30 p.m., on Wedness day, the 23rd February.

For SWATOW, FOOCHOW & SHANG-Per Kwingsang at 3.30 p.m., on Wed-

For SAIGON -Per Canton, at 4.30 p.m., on Wednesday, the 23rd February. For YOROHAMA, -. Per Rio, a. 4 30 p.m., on Wednesday, the

23rd February, For WUCHOW,--Por Lee On at 5 p.m., on Wednesday,

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Melbourne, Captain Duchateau, will west state be despatched for the above Ports on or about SUNDAY, the 27th Instant.

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the 28th February. S S. Pathan, to eail about 20th March. S.S. Lennar, to sail about 10th April. S S. Energia, to sail about 30th April. For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Shipping.

Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAL.

on THURSDAY, the 24th Iustant, at 2

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FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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FOR MANILA VÍA AMOY.

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COMPANY, LIMITED.

SAMARANG.

Captain E. J. BULLER, will be despatched as

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Notices to Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S

STEAMER BENGAL.

FROM EOMBAY, COLOMBO AND

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-

i named Vessel are hereby informed

that their Goods are being landed and

placed at their risk in the Honokone And

KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S

Godowns at Kowloon, where each consign-

men; will be sorted out Mark by Mark and

From London, &c., ex s. s. Victoria.

From Zanzibar, ex s. s. Canaia. From

Goods not cleared by the 26th Instant.

the Godowns and a certificate of the damage

obtained from the Godown Company within

ten days after the vessel's arrival here, after

USTRIAN LLOYD'S STAA.

NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE.

THE S. S. Amphibite, having actived,

informed that their Goods are being

landed at their risk into the Godowns of the

HONGRONG AND KOWLOON WHARP AND

Godown Co., Limited, whence delivery

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims

must be sent in to the Office of the Under-

signed before Noon, on the 26th February,

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

BANDER & Co...

any Goods remaining in the Godowns after

STEAMSHIP OCEANIEN.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

and HAVRE, ex S. S. Sidon; and

BORDEAUX, ex S. S. Verbeckmois, in connec-

tion with the above Steamer, are hereby

informed that their Goods-with the excep-

tion of Opium, Treasure and Valuables-are

being landed and stored at their risk into

the Godowns of the Hongrone & Kewloon

Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained

Inst., requesting it to be landed here.

subject to rent and landing charges.

the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

Goods remaining unclaimed after WED-

All Claims must be sent in to me on

All Damagod Packages will be examined

G. DE CHAMPRAUX,

on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at 8 pame

No Fire Imeurance has been effected,

the 26th February will be subject to rent,

OR THEY WILL NOT BE RECOGNISED.

Hongkong, Fabruary 19, 1898

No Claims will be admitted after the

Consignees of Cargo are hereby

H. A. RITCHIE,

Superintendent.

which no Claims will be recognised.

Hongkong, February 21, 1898.

This Vessel 1 rings on Cargo :-

MADRAS, ex a. e. Loudians.

in any case whatever.

may be obtained.

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Goods are landed.

General Managers.

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Hongkong, February 21, 1898.

COMPANY, LIMITED.

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AN BATURDAY, the 26th February, At Noon, the Company's Steamship SYDNEY, Captain AUBERT, with MAILS PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO. be despatched as above will leave this Port for MARSEILLES on THURSDAY, the 24th Instant, at 3 via BOMBAY.

This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the s. c. Caledonien, which vessel that Port on the _____, direct to SUEZ. PORT SAID and MARSEILLES. Europe. Cargo and Specie will be registered for principal Places of Europe.

p.m., Specie and Parcele until 3 p.m. on principal cities of the United States or the 25th February. (Parcels are not to be Canada. Rates may be obtained on appli-Captain TAYLER, will be sent on board; they must be left at the cation. despatched for the above Agency's Office).

Ports on THURSDAY, the 24th Inst., at 5 This Steamer has superior Accommoda- For further particulars, apply at the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL tion for Passengers and is fitted with the Company's Office. G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

Hongkong, February 12, 1898. NORDDEUTSCHER ŁLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,

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N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in KUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION. Suchsen Tuesday ... | March 1. Bayern | Wednesday | March 30. Prinz Heinrich | Wednesday | April 27. Preussen | Wednesday | May 25. delivery can be obtained as soon as the Nachsen | Wednesday | June 22. Bayern | Wednesday | July 20. Franz Hemrich | Wednesday | August 17. Darmstact | Wednesday | Sept. 14. Preussen | Wednesday | October 12. AUSTRALIA, EX B. B. Rome. From CAL-

CUTTA, EX S. B. Palawan. From Perstan Suchsen | Wednesday | November 9 Gulv. ex s. s. Assgria and Khandalla. From Bayers...... | Wednesday | December 7 Prinz Heinrich | Wednesday | Jan. 4, 1899 N TUESDAY, the 1st day of March, SACHSEN, Captain H. SURMER, with CEMENTIGHT BOWRINGTON. No Fire Lusurance will be effected by me | 1898, at 9 a.m., the Company's c.S. All Damaged Packages must be left in MAILS; PASSENGER, SPEULE, and

OARGO, will leave this port as above, calling at NAPLES and GREGA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on SATURDAY, the 27th February, Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 p.m., on Monday, the 28th February, and Parcels will be received (at the Agency's Office until Noon, on MONDAY, the 28th February. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels

should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in measurement The Steamer has splended Accommodation 2197 and carries a Doctor and a Stawardess. Linen can be washed on board.

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I THE S. S. COROMANDEL, Captain F. N. TILLARD, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, 5th March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marsellles and

Parcela All be received at this Office antil 4 p.m. on the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are NESDAY, the 23rd Instant, at Noon, will be required.

Shippers are particularly requested to ante the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Leding.

For turther Particulars, apply to H. A. RITORIE,

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City of Peking (via B'hai, N'anki, Koba, - SATURDAY, April Inland Sea, Yoko-9, at noon. hama & Honolulu)

THE U.S. Mail Steamship PERU, will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGA-SAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and YOKOHAMA on THURSDAY, the 3rd takes on her Passengers and Mails, leaving March, at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and

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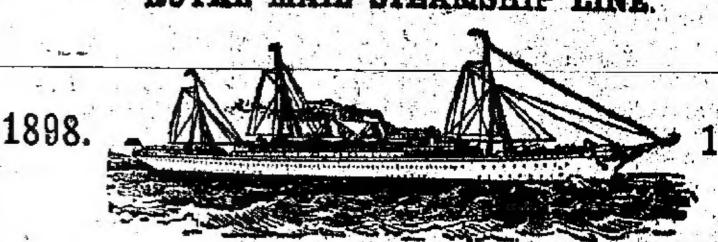
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Hongkong, February 21, 1898.

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General Agents. NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

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PROJECTED FAILINGS FROM HONORONG BUDGET TO ALTERATION. D's inations. Steamers. Salling Dates.

MATSUYAMA MARU | Via Singarona (Transhipping Cargo) WEDNESDAY, 28rd Feb. at Noon. for JAVA POBTS), and COLOMBO. SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.

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A NEW SYSTEM OF WRITING CHINESE CHARACTERS.

To the Editor of the 'CHINA MAIL.' Hongkong, 21st Feb., 1898, Dear Sir,-I beg to ask you to insert

in your valuable paper the enclosed letter of Mr Wong Kok-shan, which was published by the Peking and Tientsin Times on 5th instant. The P. and T. Times made the following remarks :- We draw attention to the correspondence in another column on the subject of phonetic Chinese, from Mr Wong Kok-shan, of the Engineer-

with a few months' study.-Yours truly,

Dear Sir. - Under the heading of 'The stimulus, a Cantonese by name of Wong | the following particulars. The clothing of Yuk-cho, has recently published in Hong- the drummers and hauthois of the three kong a phonetic system of writing Chinese regiments of Guards were at the comcharacters, at once simple and easy, mencement supplied from the King's Though the work is entirely original, the wardrobe, but in September, 1716, the author has in the main taken a leaf from 2520 expended for that purpose was the Japanese way of writing characters, transferred by warrant to the contigenices which, unlike the Chinese way, is phonetic, account. The clothing of the drum-majors in spite of the fact that the two languages in rich liveries then came to £54 3s. each came from the same origin and of the for clothing six hauthors the sum was £30 6s. many features of similarity still existing |8d. each suit. The dress regulations issued between them. Under this new system, in 1751 made several important alterations. the writing still retains the form of a Chi- They enjoined that the drummers and nese character, though more like the ancient hauthois of the Dragoon Guards, and than the modern, and bears a strong resem- the kettle-drummers and trumpeters blance to Pitman's shorthand. In this of the Household Cavalry, were respect, it seems to go one better than the to have long hanging sleeves fastened suggested romanised system, as to study at the waist, while colonels were sternly the latter a knowledge of the European cautioned against emblazoning their own orthography is a pre-requisite, while the coats-of-arms, crests, and cyphers on the former, though based on the foreign regimental drums and bells of arms, as alphabet, can be learnt independently of it, being entirely opposed to His Majesty's albeit a notion of the foreign spelling will pleasure. And in those troublous times, help the learner a great deal. There can when commanding officers were frequently be no question but that this system, if tempted to utilise their corps f r political adopted, will be equal to the requirements | purposes, such warnings were not unnecesof China, but whether it will be acceptable sary. In 1830 the bands of all infantry to her scholars remains to be seen. To regiments were ordered to be clothed in

a language, the more primitive it is, so shout the same time; and the last black in observes the author. The Cantonese dialect | the Scots Fusilier Guards, who was a can have diphthongs only, while tripthongs | native of Martinque, was discharged in are found in the Northern and Hakka December, 1841. The distinctive dressdialects, from which inference is drawn scarlet overalls and jacket with white that the former is a more ancient dialuct. sleeves (but not the turban) was retained The dialect that uses less combinations of in the hand of the Scots Fueilier Guards vowels, must have more tones to make up till the year 1866 .- Navy and Miltary the deficiency in the resources for form. Magazine. ing language. Hence we find that the Cantonese dialect has as many as ten tones and the Kukinese sight, while the Hakka has Local Composors, 6 Pieces, by Orange, has four only. A country changes with its | Robinson Piano Company. language, from the simple to the slaborate. The author justly remarks that the Chinese lunguage, being monosyllabic, is still a primittive one and seems to have undergone very little change since its original formation. He sees in this the difficulty of revolutionising the conservative spirit of

Chapters II and III doal with adaptation of the system to telegraphy and semaphoric communications by flags or reflecting lights. The sound of a Chanese character is divided into two parts, the prefixing consonant and the rhyming part, tables of which with the corresponding signs used are given in the succeeding chapters. It appears the Cantonese dialect has 22 prefixing consonants and 54 rhymes, including the peculiar na-al sound ng., and in addition to these there are 8 prefixing consonants and 29 rhymes poculiar to the Northern and Fukenese dialects, and 10 rhymes peculiar to the Hakka dialect. Here it is pointed out that the Chinese language is simply the combination of the above prefixing consonants and rhymes, and does not go beyond them. Next the distinguishing of tones by cortain indicating signs occupies another chapter. No signs are necessary for distinguishing the upper even tone and the upper entering tone in the Cantonose dialect, the latter always ending in either p, k, or t.

It might be urged by critics that the system must needs be foredoomed to failure by the sample fact that there are many Chinese characters having the same sound but written differently and hearing totally different meanings. To this, the author replies that by a reference to the context and the trend of argument one must know what particular character a phonetic writing designates. However, there might be rare cases in which the ambiguity pould not be cleared by referring to the context; and in order to meet with such a contingency, the puther has divided the Chinese language into eight parts of speech and eight subject headings, and has devised some simple signs for marking thom. To a beginner, this may proven pons asmorum, but the calling in aid of such signs is rarely, if at 'all, necessary.

Simple and easy as the system is, a still simpler set of writings, corresponding to it, has also been made for shorthand. Some years ago an attempt was made to adapt Pitman's system for Chinese stonography, but while ingenious in its way, it was oritleised as of no practical value on account of its complicated nature. Such criticism cannot, however, be applied to this present eystem of shorthand writing. Being capable to express not only the written but all the spoken language as well, this system can truly be said to supply a gap in the Chinese vocabulary, there being many collections having no equivalent characters. The author is now introducing his system to the pupils in the grant-in aid schools in Hongkong, and it is understood and assimilated in a voca short time. While not over

adopted unless one common dialect is used in China, or at the most two, the Northern and the Southern, I think its utility for shorthand reporting at least will be generally appreciated .- Yours truly,-WONG KOK-SHAN.

Tientsin, 2nd February, 1898.

THE MUSIC OF THE BRITISH

ARMY. In 1857 the Government determined upon the entire reconstruction of the band system of the British Army, which, from various causes was working very unsatisfactorily, ing and Mining Co. The letter itself, and made a move in the right direction by quite apart from its subject matter, is, we instituting in that year a school of military think, a very high tribute to native music at Kneller Hall, near Twickenham. ability, as for lucidity and phraseology it For the first decade of its career, however, 27 is quite a master-piece of English writing, Kneller Hall occupied the same anomalous and we are much indebted to Mr Wong for position as did the bands themselves, being the very forcible way in which he has partly supported by Government and partly placed his subject before the public. As by a contribution of £10 per annum from for the subject matter itself, not being each regiment. But in 1867 the War Office conversant with the multitudinous myste- took it over altogether as a Government ries of the language, we do not feel com- School, and since then has paid the entire potent to express any decided opinion on expenses. The staff consists of a comthe merits of the system; but the fact of mandant, a quartermaster, an adjutant, a its compilation, and the study and research director of music, and nine professors. which it implies, as well as the familiarity The primary object of the school is to train with modern linguistic principles, cannot promising men, usually band sergeauts, but be distinctly encouraging to those who recommended by their commanding officer, believe in the future influence of young for the post of bandmaster. They spend about two years in the institution, and are Regarding the last paragraph of Mr fully instructed in 'counterpoint' in four Wong Kok-shan's letter, I would point out | parts, and in a knowledge of the compass, that the author is not introducing his capabilities, and proper combination of the PRICE LISTS: system to the pupils in the grant-in-aid various military musical instruments. The schools in this Colony; he has only given Army is now altogether supplied with a few lessons at his residence to some boys | bandmasters from this college, about twenty during the last two months, and finds them | por annum leaving to join different regilearning and writing easily. Some of them ments. Kneller Hall, however, does not are now studying without any aid, while stop here. It also trains such young insome can write fluently. I may add strumentalists as are recommended by that the Inspector of Schools should allow bandmasters from among the most promisthis new system of writing to be introduced ing of their own drummers and buglers, to the pupils in the Chinese grant-in-aid also the sons of soldiers in the regischools, so that the poor can read and write ment, or lads from the Duke of York's School, the Hibernian School, Dublin, the bands of industrial schools, or any source whomee boys about to embrace a military life and with some taste for music can be procured. Every Wednes-Future Education of China, the N. C. | day afternoon during the summer months, Drilly News of the 29th October last made | weather permitting, an open-air concert is the following remarks: - But even then given on the lawn in front of the hall, both we believe she will have little chance of for the pleasure of visitors and as a valuable catching up with the European peoples un- ladjunet to the training course itself. To til some lucky genius chall have hit upon a lenter fully into all the details of the various romanised system of transliteration equal uniforms ever worn by bandsmen in the to her requirements and acceptable to her British Army would need a book on its scholars. Acting, seemingly upon this own account. Here we have only space for

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In-view of these figures, which are taken from the Share Report of Measra Benjamin, Kelly & Potts, Hongkong Share Rrokers, for the week ended the 29th of December. 1897, it is difficult to see any reason why the proposed Company should not in course of time, and under efficient management, attain to a like degree of prosperity.

Statistics of the aggregate annual losses caused by fire in Yokohama in previous years are unfortunately not procurable, 364 But it is estimated in the Annual Report of the Yokohama Fire Brigade for the year 1896 that during that year the sum of Yen 45,300 sufficed to cover the whole damage done in the Settlement of Yokohama, of which sum the largest amount paid on any one risk was Yen 12,000, and the smallest was Yen 30); whilst on the Bluff there were only four fires, the loss aggregating Yen 52,000, of which sum Yen 35.000 represented the damage caused by the most overwhelming configration that has ever occurred on the Biuff since it first began to be built upon thirty years ago, and which destroyed asven houses on one block, Nevertholess, it is seen that a sum of less than Yen 100,000 is computed to have covered the whole losses sustained by all the Leaurance Companies together by fires occurring on the Bluff and in the Settle-

The Report of the Fire Brigade for 1897 is not yet published; but it may be assumed that the figures will show an equally Companies.

1895 there occurred three fires, occasioning an estimated aggregate loss of Yen 113,000 and that in the year 1897 there occurred nine fires, the loss on one of which has not been accertained and on the other eight is estimated at You 29,085. The premia collected by the thirty-nine Companies doing business in Kobe is calculated to range from Yen 250,000 to Yen 280,00).

tained that the pramis paid to the Fire Insurance Companies at that port during the year 1897 amounted to Yen 17,000, against which there were no claims.

The business of the proposed Company will be confined to Japan at the outset but power will be reserved to extend it to other countries. Negotiations have already been opened with the object of procuring for the Company the Agencies of Insurance Companies established in other parts of the world, and not at present represented

Applications for Shares should be made on the accompanying form and forwardedto either of the Bankers of the Company, together with the amount psyable on ap-

If only a portion of the Shares applied for by any one applicant be allotted, the surplus of the amount paid on deposit will be appropriated towards the sum due on allotment. In cases whore no allotment is

Prospectuses and forms of application for Shares can be obtained at the offices of the Company's Bankers at Yokobama, Kobe, Negazaki, Hongkong, and Shanghai, at which piaces Share Lists will be opened simultaneously, on Monday, the 21st day THE Series of Articles satisfied THE Surprise of February, and Closed at Noon on Mon. L. BACK DOOR, which appeared Valueso DAY, the 20th day of Pebruary, 1808, Dated at Youndama the let day of

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Intimations.

THE

JAPAN FIRE INSURANCE CO.,

LIMITED.

10 You are to be paid on Application; 15 Yen on Allotment, and 25 Yen on completion of the Registration of the Company, not later than the 30th day of June, 1898.

Provisional Directors:

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J. F. Lowden, Esq., Barrieter-at-Law. M. McDonald, Esq., Paymaster, United United States Navy. W. F. MITCHELL, Eng., of the Firm Samuel Samuel & Co.

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American Trading Co.

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

> __Legal Adviser :____ J. F. LOWDER, Esq.

Present conditions seem to indicate that a revival of the project to form a local Fire Insurance Company, which was attempted come years ago but failed, will now meet with auccess; indeed, so many and so encournging have been the promises already volunteered, that a reasonable hope is ontertained of the present proposal meeting with the almost entire support of the community,—the more so as it is not intended that the Company shall apply for member- Head Office, No. 42, Sakaemachi, 1 Chome, ship with the Associated Fire Insurance Companies, with a view to working in conjunction with the Tariff Offices, but rather that, its interests shall be identified with these of the Assured; to which and provision will be made in the Articles of Association for the return to contributors of a bonus out of surplus profits.

The Hongkong Fire Insurance Company Ltd., was started in 1868 with a capital of \$2,000,000, of which only \$400,000 have been called up, i.e. \$50 on a \$250 share; yet it has a Reserve Fund of over a million dollars; a sum of nearly \$305,000 at Working Account, and its shares are quoted at

The China Fire Insurance Company, Limited, was started in 1870, also with a capital of \$2,000,000, of which only \$400,000 have been called up, i e. \$20 on every \$100 share; yet it has a Reserve Fund of nearly \$887,000; a sum of \$267,000 at Working Account, and its shares are quoted at

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As regards Nagasaki it has been ascer-

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Da. W. B. NISBET, Townsville, Queensland, Australia. Hongkong, February 17, 1898.

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Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Barbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and I epartures reported to-day,

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